

REMARKS

Applicants respectfully request reconsideration of the present application in view of the foregoing amendments and in view of the reasons that follow.

Status of Claims:

Claims 14-28 are currently being cancelled.

No claims are currently being amended.

Claims 29-38 are currently being added.

This amendment adds and cancels claims in this application. A detailed listing of all claims that are, or were, in the application, irrespective of whether the claims remain under examination in the application, is presented, with an appropriate defined status identifier.

After amending the claims as set forth above, claims 29-38 are now pending in this application.

Request for entry of after-final Amendment and Reply:

Applicants respectfully request that this after-final Amendment and Reply be considered and entered, since it is believed to place this application in condition for allowance.

Claim Rejections – Prior Art:

In the Office Action, claims 14-16, 19-21 and 24-26 were rejected under 35 U.S.C. § 102(e) as being anticipated by U.S. Patent No. 6,256,666 to Singhal; and claims 17, 18, 22, 23, 27 and 28 were rejected under 35 U.S.C. § 103(a) as being unpatentable over Singhal in view of U.S. Patent No. 6,795,711 to Sivula. These rejections are traversed with respect to presently pending claims 29-38, for at least the reasons given below.

Presently pending independent claims 29 and 35 recite the following features of a network system:

(1) The location at which data for storage is stored is a folder (e.g., memory 33 of a second apparatus 3, as seen in Figure 4 of the drawings) specified by a database.

(2) After notifying a mobile terminal of existence of data for storage, a request for storage is received from the terminal mobile.

(3) The network system includes a printing device, and the stored data is transmitted to the printing device and printed in response to a request made by the mobile terminal.

Still further, presently pending independent claim 35 recites the following feature:

(4) The second apparatus performs authentication based on the authentication data input by the printing device, and transmits the data of the folder corresponding to the authentication data (e.g., authenticated user) to the printing device.

According to the presently claimed invention, even if data for storage (e.g., an attached file) is not received directly by a mobile terminal, it can be stored in a folder corresponding to the mobile terminal provided in the memory of a second apparatus, and it can be easily transmitted to a printing device which is connected to the second apparatus. As a result, data for storage (e.g., an attached file) of the data (e.g., an e-mail) destined to the mobile terminal, and the data for storage (e.g., attached file) itself, can be easily and effectively printed by the printing device.

Therefore, for at least these reasons, presently pending independent claims 29 and 35 are not anticipated by Singhal, or by the combined teachings of Singhal and Sivula.

The presently pending dependent claims are patentable due to their respective dependencies on one of the presently pending independent claims discussed above, as well as for the specific features recited in those dependent claims. For example, presently pending dependent claims 31 and 37 recite that the printing device includes an input section and that the controller of the printing device requests the second apparatus to transmit the data for storage based on the information input by the input section for specifying the folder provided in the memory of the second apparatus.

Conclusion:

Since all of the issues raised in the Office Action have been addressed in this Amendment and Reply, Applicants believe that the present application is now in condition for allowance, and an early indication of allowance is respectfully requested.

The Examiner is invited to contact the undersigned by telephone if it is felt that a telephone interview would advance the prosecution of the present application.

The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any additional fees which may be required regarding this application under 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.16-1.17, or credit any overpayment, to Deposit Account No. 19-0741. Should no proper payment be enclosed herewith, as by a check being in the wrong amount, unsigned, post-dated, otherwise improper or informal or even entirely missing, the Commissioner is authorized to charge the unpaid amount to Deposit Account No. 19-0741. If any extensions of time are needed for timely acceptance of papers submitted herewith, Applicants hereby petition for such extension under 37 C.F.R. §1.136 and authorize payment of any such extensions fees to Deposit Account No. 19-0741.

Respectfully submitted,

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